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### Department of Environmental Quality Office of Environmental Assessment

#### Request for Public Comment and Notice of Public Hearing Proposed Revision to the Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets In the Ozone State Implementation Plan (SIP) for Baton Rouge (0210Pot2)

Under the authority of the Louisiana Environmental Quality Act, R.S. 30:2001 et seq., and in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., and 40 *Code of Federal Regulations*, §51.102, of the United States Environmental Protection Agency regulations concerning SIPs, the secretary gives notice that the Department will conduct a public hearing to receive comments regarding the proposed revision to the motor vehicle emissions budgets (MVEBs) for transportation conformity purposes in the ozone SIP for Baton Rouge.

The proposed MVEBs for Baton Rouge have been revised using MOBILE6, which is EPA's latest model for calculation of emissions from on-road motor vehicles. This submittal will fulfill the State's commitment to submit revised MVEBs for Baton Rouge.

The public hearing for this proposed SIP revision will be held at 1:30 p.m. on November 25, 2002, in the Maynard Ketcham Building, Room 326, 7290 Bluebonnet Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70810. Attendees should report directly to the hearing location for DEQ visitor registration, instead of the security desk in the DEQ Headquarters building. Should individuals with a disability need an accommodation in order to participate, contact Lynn Wilbanks, Regulation Development Section, Box 82178, Baton Rouge, LA 70884-2178 or (225) 765-0399. Interested persons are invited to attend and submit oral comments on the proposed SIP revision.

Written comments should be mailed to Ron Rebouche, Office of Environmental Assessment, Environmental Planning, Post Office Box 82178, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70884-2178, or faxed to (225) 765-0617. Comments must be received no later than 4:30 p.m., November 25, 2002. Copies of this document can be purchased by contacting the Records Management Section at (225) 765-0843. A check or money order is required in advance for each copy of the document.

A copy of the proposed SIP revision is located at [www.deq.state.la.us/news/PubNotice](http://www.deq.state.la.us/news/PubNotice). Additionally, a copy of the proposed revision may be viewed from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at DEQ Headquarters, 7290 Bluebonnet Boulevard, 4th Floor, Room 4400, Baton Rouge, LA; Capital Regional Office, 5222 Summa Court, Baton Rouge, LA; Acadiana Regional Office, 111 New Center Drive, Lafayette, LA; Northeast Regional Office, 1823 Hwy 546, West Monroe, LA; Southeast Regional Office, 201 Evans Road, Building 4, Suite 420, New Orleans, LA; Southwest Regional Office, 3519 Patrick Street, Suite 265, Lake Charles, LA; and Northwest Regional Office, 1525 Fairfield, Room 11, Shreveport, LA.

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